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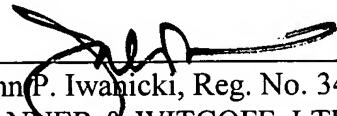
In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

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2. Form PTO-1449,
3. Copies of 5 references,
4. Copy of the International Search Report issued in PCT/US04/09141,
5. Copy of the Written Opinion issued in PCT/US04/09141, and
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.99, Applicant submits the enclosed PTO form 1449. A copy of the United States patent cited herein is not being submitted according to the August 5, 2003, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Official Gazette Notice regarding Information Disclosure Statement filings. Copies of the remaining references are enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and is being filed before the mailing date of a first office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is due.

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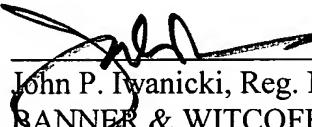
International Search Report is enclosed. Accordingly, as provided in 37 CFR §1.704(d), Applicants understand that the submission of this statement will not affect the Patent Term.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. However, the references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103.

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